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PATENT
Docket No. GC593

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Dyson et al.

Serial No.: 09/435,461

Filed: November 5, 1999

For: Enzymes Useful for Changing the
Properties of Polyester

Group Art Unit: 1651

Examiner: Michael Meller

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Box AF
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2002, in the above-identified application,
please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 4.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 6, 7, 10 -13 and 21-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being
anticipated by WO 97/27237 or WO 99/01604 for the reasons of record and:

Simply because applicants believe that '237 and '604 cannot be used to predict
whether certain enzymes possess certain properties does not prove that the references
are invalid in this rejection.

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